

Parish Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 8, 2021

Fr. Statz opened the meeting with a Prayer. Roll call was taken. Members present: Denise Gathje, Ken Lutgen, Tom Frank, Paul Ludwig, Dave Stang, Judi Schreiner, Jerry Boeckmann, Anita Neu and Secretary Brenda Kraemer. Excused were Josie Stang and Mary Caskey.

The minutes were looked over a motion was made by Ken Lutgen, seconded by Anita Neu to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried. The agenda was reviewed, items added to the agenda were heating for the parish office, snow shoveling, and parish secretary salary. After the additions, motion made by Dave Stang, seconded by Ken Lutgen to approve the agenda Motion. carried.

New Business: Ken Lutgen suggested that a new heating system be installed in the parish office so that only that area can be heated, saving the cost of heating the whole house. Ken will check prices on some baseboard heating. Paul Ludwig suggested more people be involved in the snow cleanup. a notice will be put in the bulletin. A decision on salaries will be tabled until the next meeting.

Old Business: The new parish directory is at the printers. The estimated time is around 6 weeks yet. Fr. Statz has a part in a play now so the home visits will be postponed for now.

Reports

Financial Report: September Income: \$8,890.37 Expenses: \$4,935.60 = \$3954.77. October income: \$7266.50 Expenses: \$14,559.78= -\$7293.28. A motion was made by Paul Ludwig, seconded by Tom Frank to accept financial report. Motion carried.

ACC Committee: Dave Stang reported on the last ACC meeting. The original committee has drafted the bylaws. The pastoral council will consist of 2 members from each parish. Each parish will have a financial council and from that council the members of the ACC will be chosen. The ACC also discussed the possibility of combing all the monies from each parish. Dave wants this parish to know he is very much against that. After the report from Dave, a motion was made by Ken Lutgen seconded by Paul Ludwig to rename our parish council the Parish Financial Council. Motion carried. The elections for the Parish Financial Council will be held the weekends of Dec 5 and 12. Parishioners wishing to, may nominate by email or call the parish house. Nominations will be collected December 5th and the drawing for the positions of 1 man and 1 woman will be December 12.

Parish Secretary: Brenda reported that we are still waiting for the annual audit date. Brenda will take the necessary paperwork in when they are ready for it. Our second Payroll Protection loan was also forgiven.

Cemetery Committee: The trees have been planted for this year and the grass seeded. Next year the trees will be trimmed. Dave is looking for solar lighting for the cross. The Committee also wants to thank Louise Schutz for all her work in keeping the cemetery looking so nice.

Maintenance Committee: The drains have now been opened around the exterior of the Church. New cement will be poured soon if the weather cooperates. The seat tops and the seats of the pews have been re-varnished. The Parking lot has also been striped.

Christian Women: No Report. The next meeting is set for December 7at 7 pm in the Church Basement.

Men Society: The next meeting is set for Dec 7 at 7 pm in the Church basement.

Religious Ed: Things are going very well. Kelli has made arrangements to have meals served before classes. She has gotten donations for them. First Reconciliation for the 2nd graders will be held at Holy Cross on Saturday, November 20th. There are 42 second graders from the ACC that will be receiving this sacrament.

Pastors Comments: Fr Statz is very happy to be here. We are very blessed to have gotten Kelli and Lester. Please continue to pray for the Poor Souls.

A Motion was made by Anita to adjourn and seconded by Dave Stang. Motion carried.

Next Meeting date is Jan 10, 2022, at 7 pm
Submitted by Judi Schreiner Secretary.